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**David G. Bernthal**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1950  
Education: Illinois 1972 BA, 1976 JD  
Began Service: May 1, 1995  
Term Expires: April 30, 2011  
Political Affiliation: Republican

**Judicial:** Associate Judge, Illinois Circuit Court, Fifth Judicial Circuit (1987-1995)

**Legal Practice:** Private Practice (1976-1986)

**Current Memberships:** Federal Magistrate Judges Association

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**Byron G. Cudmore**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1952  
Education: Illinois 1974 BS; Southern Illinois 1977 JD  
Began Service: September 1, 1997  
Term Expires: September 1, 2013

**Government:** Sangamon County State Attorney's Office (1978-1985); First Assistant United States Attorney, Central District of Illinois, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice, Ronald Reagan Administration (1985-1993); United States Attorney, Central District of Illinois, United States Attorney's Office, United States Department of Justice (1993)

**Legal Practice:** Hinshaw & Culbertson (1995-1997)

**Current Memberships:** The Lincoln-Douglas American Inn of Court, The American Inns of Court; Sangamon County Bar Association

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**John A. Gorman**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1942  
Education: Illinois JD  
Began Service: February 18, 2000  
Term Expires: February 2016

**Judicial:** Associate Judge, Illinois 10th Judicial Circuit (1980-1990); Judge, Illinois Appellate Court, Third District (1990-1992); Judge, Illinois 10th Judicial Circuit (1993-2000)

**Chambers of Magistrate Judge John A. Gorman continued**

**Current Memberships:** Federal Civil Practice Section Council, Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education; Illinois Judges Association; Illinois State Bar Association; Lawyers Assistance Program (IL); Peoria County Bar Association; Tazewell County Bar Association

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**Number of Judgeships:** 5

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**Thomas L. Perkins**  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1958  
Education: Iowa 1980 BBA; Indiana 1984 JD  
Began Service: July 2000  
Term Expires: July 2014

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Kavanagh, Scully, Sudow, White & Frederick, P.C. (1984-1994); Partner, Quinn, Johnston, Henderson & Pretorius (1994-1998); Partner, Vonachen, Lawless, Trager & Slevin (1998-2000)

**Current Memberships:** American Bankruptcy Institute, Real Estate Section, Commercial Banking and Bankruptcy Section, Illinois State Bar Association

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**Gerald D. Fines**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1940  
Education: Eastern Illinois 1965 BS, 1967 MS; Kentucky 1970 JD  
Began Service: August 19, 1987  
Term Expires: August 18, 2015

**Affiliation:** Bankruptcy Judge (visiting), Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (visiting) Gerald D. Fines, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Illinois

**Academic:** Instructor, Commercial Law, Eastern Illinois University (1966-1967)

**Government:** Deputy Director and Acting Director, Office of the United States Attorney, United States Department of Justice (1970-1976); United States Attorney, Central District of Illinois, United States Department of Justice (1977-1986)

**Judicial:** Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of Illinois (1987-2000); Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California

**Legal Practice:** Giffin, Winning, Linder, Cohen & Bodewes

**Military Service:** United States Army (1958-1960)

**Current Memberships:** The District of Columbia Bar; Illinois State Bar Association; Kentucky Bar Association

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**Mary P. Gorman**  
Bankruptcy Judge

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**William V. Altenberger**  
Bankruptcy Judge (recalled)

Date of Birth: 1935  
Education: Illinois 1957 BS, 1963 LLB  
Began Service: June 20, 2000  
Term Expires: June 2010

**Affiliation:** Bankruptcy Judge (visiting), Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (visiting) William V. Altenberger, United States District Court for the Southern District of Illinois; Bankruptcy Judge (visiting), Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (visiting) William V. Altenberger, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois

**Legal Practice:** Kavanagh, Scully, Sudow, White & Frederick (1964-1985)

**Military Service:** United States Air Force (1957-1960)

**Chambers of Bankruptcy Judge (recalled) William V. Altenberger continued**

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**Number of Judgeships:** 22

**Number of Vacancies:** 2

**Areas Covered:** Counties of Boone, Carroll, Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kendall, La Salle, Lake, Lee, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Whiteside, Will and Winnebago

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